

645—223.1(149) Definitions. For the purposes of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

“*Ambulatory surgical center*” or “*ASC*” means an ambulatory surgical center that has in effect an agreement with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, in accordance with 42 CFR Part 416.

“*Conscious sedation*” means a depressed level of consciousness produced by the administration of pharmacological substances that retains the patient’s ability to independently and continuously maintain an airway and respond appropriately to physical stimulation or verbal command.